

The Albany Register.

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THE FIRST FOUR.

The official vote of the four largest States in the Union, for President, at the election on the 3d of November, 1868, is as follows:

NEW YORK.	
Grant.....	418,407
Seymour.....	427,778
Total.....	846,185
PENNSYLVANIA.	
Grant.....	342,280
Seymour.....	313,352
Total.....	655,632
OHIO.	
Grant.....	280,232
Seymour.....	239,632
Total.....	519,864
ILLINOIS.	
Grant.....	250,293
Seymour.....	190,143
Total.....	440,436

Total vote of the four States..... 2,470,537
Grant's majorities in three of the above States are as follows: In Pennsylvania, 28,868; Ohio, 41,190; Illinois, 31,150. New York gave Seymour a majority of 9,454.

The entire vote of the same States in 1864, with the increase since then, is given in the annexed table:

	Total.	Increase.
New York.....	729,731	118,444
Pennsylvania.....	573,297	82,455
Ohio.....	470,742	48,312
Illinois.....	348,226	101,220

If the 15,000 fraudulent votes cast for Seymour in New York be subtracted, the increase in the voting population of that State in the last four years will be about equal to that of the State of Illinois for the same period.

Is there a Democratic Party?

There are a few fossiliferous old codgers who sling ink for newspapers, that write as though they really believed there was still in existence a party or political organization styled the Democratic party. They have become monomaniacs on the subject, and no system of reasoning is capable of reaching their benighted and befogged intellects, except it coincide with this belief in the existence and complete organization of a Democratic party of "time-honored principles." If such a political organization exists, it must certainly have some distinguishing features—some certain political principles. What are they? "The Democratic party is in favor of the Constitution," says one of these old fossils. Just so. But then this assertion of a political abstraction throws no light on the principles of the party. Thousands of men went to the polls on the 3d of November and cast their votes for Seymour and Blair, who could no more tell what the principles of this modern Democracy were, than they could make a ladder out of an Oregon fog.

On the third of November last, the free white American citizens of the United States, at the ballot box, put the seal of condemnation on any principles that may have, by any possibility, pertained to the last Democratic National platform. From the inception to the final winding up of the great rebellion, this so-called Democratic party did have two well defined principles—one was, the unconstitutionality of the war against secession; the other, the "Union as it was." The first was consigned to oblivion when Grant squelched the rebellion; the second remains as undefinable and indefinite as ever. The Government fought a bloody and terrible war and spent millions of treasure to maintain the "Union as it was," while this so-called Democratic party opposed the war, and by thus aiding and abetting treason, committed itself to the attempt to divide the Union, and make it what it was not.

"The Democratic party still lives!" What on? Democrats still live, doubtless, but the old Democratic party winked out, breathed its last on the 3d of November, 1868. It had been virtually dead for some time. When the New York World and other leading papers of that stripe and the Kentucky Democrats proposed to abandon Seymour and Blair and take up Chase and Hendricks, its decrease was announced; and its funeral sermon was published when Southern rebels proposed to cast the Democratic Electoral vote for Grant and Colfax. This once great party of principles is today but an ill organized opposition, with no positive principles. The party has gone on from bad to worse until it has lost the entire confidence of the people, and to-day it has no foothold except where bearded ignorance prevails, or the true expression of the people is prevented by wholesale naturalization frauds and ballot-box stuffing.

EFFECTS OF TEMPER.—A passionate mother lately threw a table-knife at her little boy who had been guilty of some trifling misconduct. The knife entered his side, and in a short time he was a corpse. What must have been the feelings of the mother?

Official Vote of Oregon.

The following is the official vote of Oregon on November 3d, 1868, as returned to the office of Secretary of State:

Grant, Seymour.	
Benton.....	536
Baker.....	449
Clackamas.....	335
Clatsop.....	673
Columbia.....	120
Cos.....	228
Curry.....	83
Douglas.....	109
Grant.....	791
Jackson.....	343
Josephine.....	357
Lane.....	191
Lincoln.....	659
Marion.....	1065
Multnomah.....	1334
Polk.....	1281
Tillamook.....	570
Union.....	64
Washington.....	39
Wasco.....	507
Yamhill.....	313
Total.....	10,961

CHANGE.—The Oregonian states that Sylvester Penney, the gentleman who assumed editorial control of the Portland Herald upon Beriah Brown's dismissal, is about to abdicate his seat. Thus the Oregon Democracy will lose this brilliant light, of whom a contemporary said: "It is reported that in early life he (Sylvester) received a good education." He wrote one or two compositions on "negro suffrage" that were really quite Democratic in sentiment and tone. Having completely used up this new and interesting subject, and finding nothing more of any particular interest with which he was acquainted, to write up, like an empty bladder, he collapses. As it will take him some time to recover from this exhaustive escape of wind during his short editorial career we shall probably never again have the exquisite delight of reading more of his cheerful funeral essays on "nigger suffrage" and "nigger equality." Poor Sylvester, we fear you were not properly appreciated by the Cops.

GAMBLERS DEFEATED.—An attempt was made by the Democratic politicians of California to count out Hoffman, one of the Republican Electors, on the ground that some of the votes were cast for D. A. Hoffman instead of D. B. Hoffman, the latter being the Elector's name. The object of the Democrats was to save twenty per cent. of the bets they had made on the State. But the Supreme Court, by unanimous decision, issued a mandamus to have the vote counted as it was manifestly intended it should be by the voters! Thus the trick of the California Democrats was defeated.

NEXT MAY.—The Bulletin of San Francisco shows that there remains to complete the great trans-continental railroad only 323 miles of grading and track-laying. The Union Pacific is within 123 miles of the head of Salt Lake, while the Central Pacific is within 200 miles of the same point. It is not likely that the connection of the two ends will be delayed longer than May next.

GAMBLING LAW.—The law relating to gambling and the keeping of gambling houses, went into effect on the 11th—yesterday. The proper officers should see to the enforcement of the law, and every well wisher of social happiness, good order and public virtue, will aid them in their efforts.

BOUNDARY LINE.—Speaking of the boundary line between this State and California which is now being marked out by a surveying party, the Yreka Journal says:

The Boundary Survey locates the line through the center of Little Klamath Lake, and along the ridge above Butte Creek Valley, thus making a good natural divide by leaving the valleys south of that lake entirely in California and those north of it entirely in Oregon. It is thought that a portion of Applegate Creek, heretofore claimed by Oregon, will be found to be in California, judging from the direction the surveying line points, as far as finished by the surveying expedition.

CHANGE.—The Portland Commercial, an evening paper, heretofore independent, has gone over to the Democracy, and will hereafter be found battling away for the success of that faction. M. P. Bull has associated with him the "brilliant writer," J. C. Dow, who will take charge of the editorial department of the paper. Won't the three Democratic journals have a healthy old time!

NEW DISCOVERY.—Prof. Casturani, of Turin, has discovered a way of killing animals by forcing air into their eyes, within the space of a few seconds, and, it is thought, almost without causing them any pain. The most remarkable thing about this "killing made easy" is the fact that it leaves absolutely no outward trace, and it can as easily be applied to men as to animals.

DEAD.—Commodore John Paty died in Honolulu on the 11th of November, at the age of sixty-one. He has been a prominent shipmaster on this coast and in the Pacific for about forty years.

OFFICIAL VOTE.—The official vote of California gives Grant 508 majority.

STATE ITEMS.

From the Eugene City Journal of the 5th inst., we learn that the Baptists of that place are in the midst of a great revival. There is also a revival at the McKenzie Fork Baptist Church. Some 68 persons have been added to the two congregations, and the work is still progressing. Meetings were also being held in the Methodist church.

A negro named Jim, boarded with a China washerman three weeks in Eugene without paying any board, and when he left stole ten dollars from John.

The ladies of Eugene gave a fair and supper on the evening of the 4th, from which was realized the handsome sum of \$137 50.

The Roseburgians were having under advisement the propriety of incorporating their town. A meeting was to be held for that purpose on last Saturday night. The Umpqua Academy, at Wilbur, is giving better satisfaction than at any time in its previous history.

David Crow, an aged gentleman of Cole's valley, died very suddenly last week, it is thought of heart disease.

They are to have Christmas trees, addresses, music, &c., at the M. E. Church in Roseburg, on Christmas eve.

W. R. Singleton, a wealthy and influential farmer of Douglas county, publishes a card in the Roseburg Ensign, declaring that, although hitherto known as a Democrat, having acted with that party since his majority, henceforth he is fully determined to act with that party no longer, and giving his reasons for this change. The Ensign says that, judging from present indications and the late Republican gains, at the next election the Democratic party will not be able to muster a corporal's guard in Douglas county.

Several head of horses have been stolen from Mr. John Sutherland of Douglas county, for the return of which he offers large rewards.

From the Jacksonville Sentinel of the 5th we learn that a little son of Hon. O. Jacobs, late candidate for Grant elector of this State, died on the 2d inst. He was ten years of age, and was a lad of brilliant promise.

Mention is made in the same paper of considerable petty thieving, and the editor thinks some rascal is spoiling for a load of buck-shot.

The following paragraphs are from the same paper:

Hyman Abrahams, of Canyonville, who lost his leg by the upsetting of the Stage north of Canyonville last August, has commenced suit against the company for one hundred thousand dollars damages. Able counsel have been retained on both sides and the suit promises to be an interesting one.

Lieut. Thos. McGarvey with six men of the 1st U. S. Cavalry left for Fort Klamath on Sunday morning. He goes to take the place of Lt. Henderson who is under charges and soon to be tried by a Court Martial.

This disease (diphtheria) is so prevalent in this valley at present as to be almost epidemic. Whole families of children have been prostrated with it and several cases have terminated fatally. It appears to be usually combined with croup, and our physicians say it is very difficult to treat.

We learn that the citizens of Ashland intend to have one or two more passes of the "Cascade" mountains examined and will get up a remonstrance to our Senators and Representative, against diverting the Railroad from its proper route through this valley.

At the election held at Portland by the Fire Department, W. H. Weed was re-elected Chief. Bullly for Hank.

On the night of the 5th, Dr. Mack, of East Portland, was assaulted by a robber while in bed, and although the Doctor made a valiant resistance he seems to have got the worst of it, receiving several severe cuts, bruises, etc. The robber succeeded in making his escape with a pair of pants containing \$40.

The Oregonian reports the arrival of three whales at Astoria, a few days since. One of these monsters of the deep came along side the wharf at Astoria, and made himself visible to the naked eye several times before turning tail seaward. One of the others started off a swim up the Columbia, probably on a voyage of discovery, and has not been heard of or seen since.

An aggravated case of Grecian Bend had made its appearance on Front street, Portland, on Tuesday last. It was supposed to belong to the B. J. family.

The jury in the case of E. G. Randall, postmaster at Portland, on trial charged with robbing the U. S. Mails, failing to agree, were discharged. The new trial is set for the first Monday in January next.

The Corvallis Gazette is urging upon the citizens of Benton county the importance of a railroad from that city to Yaquina Bay. A meeting is to be held at the Court House in Corvallis to-night (Saturday, Dec. 12th), to have action in the matter.

Telegraphic Summary.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—A fearful collision occurred on the Ohio river at half past eleven last evening, two miles above Warsaw, on the Indiana side. The steamer America was ascending the river and struck the steamer United States, which was descending, just forward of the steps, cutting into her side and sinking the United States to the main deck in two minutes. The collision was said to have occurred from a mistake in the signals. The United States had a quantity of petroleum oil on board which took fire, and within 30 seconds the boat was a mass of flames. It is supposed that seventy-five or eighty persons lost their lives. Both boats were the finest and largest afloat on the Ohio, and were worth \$470,000. The America was also entirely consumed, having taken fire while endeavoring to rescue the passengers of the United States. Those saved owe their lives to the coolness of the officers and crew of the America, whose engines were moving until driven away by the flames. There were several bridal parties on board the America and 350 lady passengers in all.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 4.—A train with 500 barrels of oil was burned at Fitchburg, to-day. Conductor Hubbs died from his burns.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—The jury in the case of Geo. W. Alexander, assessor of Internal Revenue for the Reading District, rendered a verdict of guilty in aiding in the removal of whisky to defraud the revenue. The jury recommended the prisoner to mercy.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 5.—General Grant arrived at Boston this morning. Although a severe snow storm was prevailing, he rode in an open carriage through the streets, which were crowded with people to Governor Burnside's residence, where many persons had an opportunity of personally saluting him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The World editorially favors Governor Morton for Secretary of the Treasury.

Private dispatches from Washington to the Revolution, say Senator Pomeroy has a bill ready to present at the opening of Congress, proposing an amendment to the Constitution which gives suffrage to all citizens of both sexes, leaving the States to fix the age when the exercise of the right shall commence.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—There was a report in the gold room today that riots had taken place in Paris and that Napoleon was killed. Gold advanced, but soon relapsed to its original price.

The Siamese twins sailed for Paris to-day, where the cord which unites them will be severed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The seat of John Morrissey, in Congress, will be contested on the ground that he has not had a legal residence in this country long enough to entitle him to hold a seat in Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The Secretary of the Treasury to-day issued bonds to the Central Pacific Railroad amounting to \$650,000 for the section ending at the four hundred and tenth mile post.

The President has appointed Thos. B. Florence Assessor of Internal Revenue in the second district of Pennsylvania, vice Phillips deceased.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Sun has information from Boston from sources which are entitled to be regarded with great confidence, to the effect that leading Republicans of Massachusetts concur in anticipating the appointment of Representative Boutwell as Secretary of the Treasury in Grant's cabinet.

Dr. Carnahan, of this city, lately performed a heroic surgical operation of ovariotomy, removing a tumor weighing 64 pounds from the abdomen of a young woman. The operation was entirely successful.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—Playfair, Liberal, is elected to the House of Commons for Edinburgh and St. Andrews. The Times says the new ministry will be completed this afternoon. We believe the following have been selected: Earl Russell will have a seat without a portfolio; Earl Clarendon, Secretary for Foreign Affairs; Robt. Lowe, Chancellor of the Exchequer; Edward Edward Caldwell, Secretary of War; John Bright, Secretary of State for India; Henry Wood, Lord Chancellor; J. D. Colridge Solicitor General; Chickster Fortescue, Secretary for Ireland; H. C. Childers, First Lord of Admiralty.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—There are vague rumors afloat in this city of a general seizure of newspapers and conflicts between the troops and mobs in Paris. These rumors, though not confirmed, caused a panic in the commercial circles in this city.

The Times, in an editorial on the Alabama claims, argues against the Government yielding to the demand of Mr. Seward that the question of international law be submitted to the Commission. The Times says the American Commission will come committed against England's claims and by a national law the British Commissioners will be driven to the opposite view. The Times regrets that Lord Stanley has been robbed of the glory of settling these international difficulties but it is certain that Lord Stanley, or whoever the Foreign Secretary may be, will pursue the same policy.

LONDON, Dec. 4. (evening).—It is reported that John Bright has peremptorily declined the office of Secretary of State. The appointment of Earl Kimberley as Foreign Secretary in place of Earl Clarendon is believed to be his wish. In this connection it may be asserted that the full list of Ministers will be completed on Monday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The United States Senate met to-day with forty-seven members present. A debate of great interest was sprung on the question of admitting Hill, Senator from Georgia. The matter was postponed for a time, but will soon come up again. Several bills were introduced, one providing for the resumption of specie payment.

House met, with one hundred and sixty-four members present. A resolution was offered by Morrill, of Pennsylvania, to censure Reverdy John on which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Boutwell introduced a bill providing that all male citizens of the United States, over 21 years of age, be entitled to vote for Presidential electors and Representatives to Congress. A variety of other bills and resolutions were introduced.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 7.—Dispatches from Augusta say that a regiment of militia entered the town and took possession of the telegraph office, ordering the operatives to send no message unless approved by their officers. They placed guards on the streets and proclaimed martial law. No reason was assigned for these proceedings.

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 8.—The testimony in the Andrews murder case was concluded last night. Dr. Choate, Principal of the Taunton Lunatic Asylum, testifying, gave it as his opinion that Deacon Andrews is sane. The case was argued to-day and will probably reach the jury to-morrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A communication from the Governor of Georgia was read in the Senate. It states that the reconstruction laws have not been fully exercised, and that members of the Legislature were allowed to take the oath without regard to eligibility, and were not required to take the legal oath. The failure to execute the law has tended to defeat the purposes of Congress in the reconstruction acts. The Governor asks Congress to take such steps as they may deem proper.

Yates introduces a bill providing that any alien desiring to become a citizen of the United States may be admitted, and prescribing conditions therefor.

Drake introduced a joint resolution providing that no vacancies in the rank of General, Lieutenant General, Admiral or Vice Admiral shall be filled without the authority of Congress.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 8.—The excitement relative to the terrible disaster to the steamers United States and America is still intense. Parties are arriving from all quarters, making inquiry for lost friends and relations. Known to have taken passage on those boats. A portion of the remains will arrive here by the steamer General Lytle, for recognition and interment. A dispatch from Florence, Indiana, says: In this city three bodies have been recovered from the wrecks. The scene at Warsaw, Kentucky, beggars description. Relatives are hunting each other; the wounded are screaming with pain, and people who at home are blessed with wealth, are being mourning their sad plight. Clothing is being continually furnished the survivors.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—The Secretary of the Treasury, in his report, favors a speedy return to specie payment, and suggests a curtailment of paper money as one of the best means to effect this object. His financial exhibit for the year is not favorable. It shows a large deficit of receipts under expenditures; but this, he says, is owing to the extraordinary expenditures for soldiers' bounties, Alaska, and railway bounties, the latter taking \$25,000,000.

HAVANA, Dec. 7.—A pitched battle was fought between the troops and the rebels at Mount Altagracia, near Puerta Principe. Each side lost about 500 killed. Both parties claimed the victory, but it is very difficult to obtain reliable information. A battle was also fought at Moratin, in which the Spaniards lost fifty killed and the rebels seventy.

The latest news from Holquin is favorable to the hopes of the loyalists. Reinforcements had been sent to them. The Diare reports that some rebels entered a private dwelling and violated four girls in the presence of their parents.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 8.—Additional particulars are received of the loss of the steamship Hibernia. She sailed from New York Nov. 14, for Glasgow, and sunk Nov. 25th, 700 miles westward of the Irish coast. The passengers, crew and all took to boats—five in number. Two of these have been picked up, and one is known to have been capsized and all on board lost. The fate of the people in the remaining two boats is unknown. It is now certain that fifty-two persons, including the captain of the steamship, are saved. The first mate was drowned. Intelligence of the missing boats is looked for with great anxiety.

MADRID, Dec. 7.—The Republicans paraded the streets of Cadiz yesterday with arms in their hands, and made other demonstrations threatening the public peace. Troops were called out and dispersed the processionists and prevented further proceedings. Similar demonstrations have been made by the Republicans at several points. The provisional government is preparing a new tariff law.

NEW CASTLE, (Del.) Dec. 5.—Several persons stood in the pillory to-day, and were flogged for various offenses.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 6.—Further particulars with regard to the steamboat collision yesterday, show a larger loss of life than at first reported. Both steamers were completely burned in less than five minutes. About 75 cabin passengers were on board the United States, more than half of whom were lost.

Reports of the officers are very conflicting, but the most probable accounts report forty-five passengers, including eighteen ladies and seven officers and cabin crew lost, while only four, out of twenty-two deck hands are known to be saved. The accident is attributed to a mistake in the whistles.

The United States cost \$230,000, and was insured for \$100,000. The America cost \$240,000. Ole Bull was among the passengers saved.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—A Times special gives the following abstract of the President's message, which will be sent to Congress Tuesday. The only reason for delay is anticipated official news about

the settlement of the Alabama claims. The message covers the following points and conclusions here:

First, That the Southern States remain prostrated; third, industry and resources cut off; a goodly portion of their population disfranchised; their constitutional privilege of representation still denied through Congressional enactments, most of them under military rule.

The message commends the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, endorsing its views for the return to specie payments, through reduction of expenditures, revised taxation, and gradual contraction of paper circulation, with suggestions for legislation for one currency only, and that the national banks should have their powers restricted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—The U. S. Grand Jury have found about 150 indictments against persons for illegal voting. The Marshal will make arrests this week.

Operations on the fortifications at Lime Point are soon to be suspended, owing to exhaustion of the appropriation.

We find the following extraordinary story, credited to the Rome correspondent of the London Pall Mall Gazette, in a San Francisco exchange. If true, it puts the cap-sheaf on anything we have read for many a day. The correspondent referred to above says:

"I was mistaken in informing you that Monseigneur Villanova Castellacci had resigned his post of vicar-general of Rome. It appears that he was dismissed by the Pope. The cause was a great scandal which came to light in a certain convent which at present I will not name. Nearly the whole of the nuns, who are very young, were found to be as nuns should not be. As the rules of the convent are very strict, the affair was kept very close. At length search revealed a subterranean passage communicating with a monastery of Belgian monks. The passage terminated in an ancient Roman vault, the last vestige of a pagan temple, in which the monks professed to practice mystic austerities. Monseigneur Castellacci was blamed by the Holy Father for having failed to discover this secret communication, and for defending the nuns, particularly the abbess, though she was in the condition of too many of her flock. I have been at pains to ascertain the truth of this story, and I relate only what is stated by several Roman prelates."

The Unionist of the 11th has the following items.

Sam. P. Fair, ex-Sheriff of Siskiyou county, California, mysteriously disappeared about ten years since, and it was generally supposed that he had met with a violent death. Secretary May informs us that intelligence from the missing man has been received, and that he is now living in Chili.

Wednesday last a convict at the Penitentiary, becoming disgusted with himself, and the world, made an attempt on his own life, by stabbing himself. The cut is a severe flesh wound just enough to be painful yet not fatal.

Samuel Headrick, Esq., ex-Sheriff of this county is confined to his room by an attack of hemorrhage of the lungs. His numerous friends in all parts of the State will regret to hear of his illness, and await his recovery with unfeigned anxiety.

BURGALARIES.—Dwellings in and near Milwaukee have been robbed during the present week. Mr. Lewelling, of that town was chloroformed, and one hundred dollars taken from a bureau drawer. In various other places robberies are chronicled, and it is supposed that there is a regularly organized band of these itinerant thieves who are prowling through the country, and people will do well to see to the locks and fastenings on doors and shutters hereabouts, as they will doubtless be along here shortly.

GOOD PRICE.—An Eastern paper has the following: "Oxen are wanted in Oregon, at \$1,000 a yoke." This advance in the price of oxen will be news to our farmers.

A Kanaka climbed the Grant pole at Yreka, says the Journal, to replace the haliards, which had been blown out by high winds. The pole was one hundred and ten feet high, and the Kanaka was just twenty minutes in climbing it.

A Copperhead paper says the persecutions of President Johnson are not yet ended. Miss Ann Stephens is writing his life.

The Committee on Contested Elections of the next Congress will have abundance of work, at least twenty defeated aspirants for Congress have already signified their intention to contest.

RE-ELECTED.—At the annual election held in Portland on the 3d, the old Board of Directors of the P. T. Co. were re-elected.

The artesian well at St. Louis (Mo.), the deepest in the world, has reached a depth of 3,147 feet, and no water yet.

William M. Stewart is certain to be re-elected United States Senator from Nevada.

Beeves are so plentiful in Texas that a stick raiser near Brownsville kills his for the hide and tallow and gives away the meat.

Hope is a good thing, but the thing hoped for is better.

"A double event"—twice.